

The iPad as an Education Tool for Students with Deaf-Blindness and Multiple Disabilities – An Overview

ACCESS:

- Friendly Integration - <http://www.iballz.info/>
 - iBallz (\$19.95); iBallz Lid (\$29.95)
- Modular Hose – Loc-Line iPad Kit (\$75)
 - <http://www.modularhose.com/>
- Paper Clip Robot -
 - <http://www.papercliprobot.com/>
 - BubCaps (home button cover - \$5/four)
- Otterbox - <http://www.otterbox.com/>
 - Otterbox Defender Case (\$89.95)
- RJ Cooper – <http://www.rjcooper.com/>
 - iPad cases, Bluetooth speaker, wireless switch, wireless switch interface, tablet pointer
- Griffin-Crayola iMarker (\$30); in stores, too
 - <http://www.griffintechology.com>

Organization & Management:

- School-wide policies and procedures for deployment/management
 - system to determine who downloads and keeps up with updating APPS/iPads
- Create student folders
- Create Classroom Curricular Theme/Topic Folders
- Staff Training
- Process of selecting APPS
 - Using Rubrics
 - Matching student(s) with skills, IEP objectives to be addressed
 - Use of the SETT framework

INTEGRATION:

- Be Creative!
- Use during group language time/story time.
- Use videos/photos that match curricular themes.
- Use to create student portfolios & portfolios of student work samples.
- Used in assessments for functional use of vision, hearing, fine motor access & communication



RESOURCES:

- Moms with APPS
 - <http://momswithapps.com/>
- APPS for children with special needs
 - <http://a4cwsn.com/>
 - Facebook page
- Learning in Hand blog
 - <http://learninginhand.com/>
- Babies with iPads
 - <http://babieswithipads.blogspot.com>
- Spectronics List - iPhone/iPad Apps for AAC
 - <http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/article/iphoneipad-apps-for-aac>
- iPevo Point 2 View camera
 - Document camera to demonstrate APPS; available Amazon.com (\$69)
- Free Video Converter
 - http://www.any-video-converter.com/products/for_video_free/

Rubrics for Evaluating APPS:

- Transforming Classroom Practice with iPad Content (8 different PDF documents)
<http://www.box.net/naomiharm/1/88170086>
- “Apps Attack” created by Jeannette Van Houten
 - jvanhouten@optonline.net
- iPads in the Classroom
http://kathyschrock.net/pdf/ipad_app_rubric.pdf
<http://kathyschrock.net/pdf/evalipad.pdf>
- Learning in Hand (Sandy Plains Elementary School)
<http://learninginhand.com/storage/blog/AppRubric.pdf>